

PORTAGE! . . . then on again over sparkling sun-lit waters

to handle the sheet, the tiller, command her crew, and finally, to handle her boat alone. She must prove herself to be level-headed, possessed of good judgment, and a capable swimmer before she becomes a full-fledged "skipper". Sailing the triangular course mapped out and landing neatly at the dock on a windy day bring into use all the science of sailing she has stored up.

In CAMPCRAFT she learns to live in the forest, to make camp-fires in rainy or fair weather, to make a comfortable bed on the ground, to choose suitable fuel for the type of fire she wishes to build, to cook with and without utensils, to plan balanced meals, to build many kinds of shelters, to handle a knife and axe correctly, and to make the most of any situation in which she may find herself. She progresses gradually from the first piece of toast, perfectly browned on the forked toaster she has made herself, to the triumphant erection of a rain-proof shelter. She may even attain the status of "Worthy Woodsman."

On CANOE TRIPS she has the opportunity of putting into practice everything she has learned in campcraft. Algonquin Park with its hundreds of lakes, and rivers, offers splendid facilities for tripping. The trips under experienced guides are organized with greatest efficiency in regard to packing and portaging supplies, planning the meals, and supervising the campers' activities. The length of the trip in each case is determined by the age, ability, and experience of the members of the party. And what joy is quite comparable to that of the returning trippers, full of thrilling accounts of seeing animals in their natural surroundings, of cooking their meals over camp-fires, and of the strange wild beauty of the country through which they have travelled? It is a gratifying thing to discover that Nature's wildness is an ally and not an enemy.



Then there is RIDING, and whether a camper is just learning, or is proficient in riding, there is a horse particularly suited to her ability and a competent riding-master and a counselor to teach her. The site of an old lumber camp has provided space for a riding-ring, and there are many beautiful trails through the forest. Riding trips go out regularly, their length depending upon the riders' ability. During the summer the Tanamakoon Hunt Club is very active, and at the end of each month there is held a gala Gymkhana, in which everyone who rides takes part. Perhaps it is a race in which the horse has to eat an apple and the rider a cracker before victory may be claimed, or perhaps it is the excitement of musical chairs!

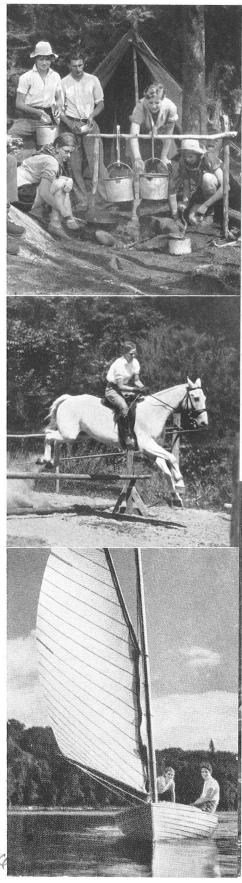
Most particularly suited to the forest is the traditional sport of ARCHERY. A steady hand and a keen eye count here. It is an activity suited to every age and physique, and is most satisfying in that one's progress is steady and apparent. The technique is easily acquired, and the sound of arrows repeatedly hitting the target is a joyful one! There is TENNIS too, of course, and tennis tournaments, and someone to give instruction in strokes and form.

Other fields of creative activity also invite the interest of each camper and help to discover and develop her particular aptitudes. To the girl who likes to use her hands, and most girls do, the completion of the smallest article in HANDICRAFT brings with it a great deal of satisfaction. Into the simplest book-mark or purse goes as much planning for design and careful craftsmanship as into the most intricately fashioned and executed linoleum block, for the idea behind it all is individual achievement, not mass production of identical objects. So many things can be made: portfolios, book-covers, gloves, bracelets, trays, baskets, boxes, book-plates, Christmas cards, and so on; and spread before the camper's eyes is the panorama of nature's countless patterns from which to choose suitable ornamentation.

Right before her eyes, too, are myriads of subjects; if she likes **SKETCHING**, or wants to learn how to put on paper the pines along the path, the water lilies in the pond, or a little frog sitting on a rock in the sunshine.

Or perhaps she likes the land of make-believe called up by DRAMATICS. There is a play for everyone who likes "being in a play." Sometimes the plays are made up by the campers themselves, or they may be taken from the many plays that have been written especially for youth and youthful audiences. In either case, it is great fun to wear costumes that have been made from just the things one finds about camp, and to act on the stage of a beautiful outdoor theatre made by campers of former years from logs out of the very forest that surrounds it. And what fun Theatre Nights are for the audience!

Next comes MUSIC, which runs the scale from singing songs composed on canoe trips, to choral singing. There is really fine instrumental and vocal music, a rhythm band, and best of all there are the Music Nights, sometimes centred





around an exquisitely dramatized version of Mozart's youth, sometimes with a gypsy atmosphere and gypsy songs from every country. All this is in charge of people who know a great deal about fine music.

Sometimes the choir sings on sundays for the services which are held in the CHAPEL with its natural circle of tall trees and rustic woodcraft. These services are conducted by some member of the staff or by a visiting clergyman; the Sundays are memorable.

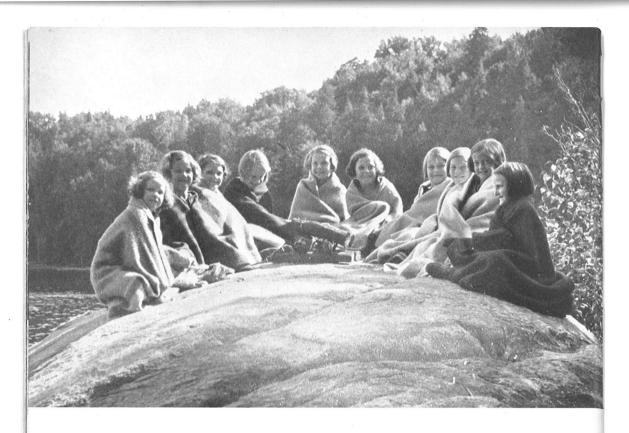
NATURE LORE, in the strict sense of the word, is not taught. The camper is continually absorbing fascinating knowledge about her surroundings. A trained member of the staff is on hand to identify new discoveries and to encourage the investigation of nature's innumerable mysteries. The desire is to have each camper unconsciously acquire the

knowledge and love of nature through each activity rather than to have her study nature as a thing apart. Few campers would care to go out and deliberately search for the print of a deer's hoof, but when one is accidentally discovered, everyone comes to see!

If there is any activity a camper desires which is not a part of the camp programme, she may choose it for her hobby. HOBBIES for spare-time minutes are purely optional, but they are encouraged because of their acknowledged value in adult life.

The daily programme is not a set affair. The activities are arranged according to the desires of the campers themselves. Routine hours are reserved for flag raising, meal times, swimming periods, and rest.





# OUTFIT LISTS

#### **REGULATION TANAMAKOON OUTFIT**

2 pair tan shorts

3 tan shirts

1 pr. green corduroy shorts

1 tan leather belt

1 green beret

4 pr. tan badminton socks

1 pr. green woollen golf socks

1 pr. official camp shoes.

Prices and details of the above outfit will be sent to each applicant.

#### OTHER NECESSARY ARTICLES

Riding breeks or jodhpurs

Heavy sweater (green preferred) or

windbreaker

Running shoes and oxfords

Rain coat (light weight preferred)

2 Bathing suits

Bathing shoes

Bath robe

Flannelette or cotton pyjamas

Toilet articles

1 ground sheet

3 heavy blankets (or equivalent)

4 flannelette or cotton sheets

2 pillow cases

1 small pillow or soft cushion

2 hand towels

4 bath towels

2 laundry bags

1 shoe bag or wall pocket

Flashlight and extra batteries

Steamer trunk not more than 15" high.

#### SUGGESTED ARTICLES

1 pair slacks, 1 pair shorts, 2 shirts, 2 or 3 polo shirts, jerseys or school middies, 1 light sweater, and extra socks.

Camera and films, tennis racquet and balls, books, musical instruments, hot water bottle, blanket pins, rubber boots and, for older campers, jack-knife, hatchet and sheath.

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Bathing caps should be procured at camp, the colour being based on swimming ability.

Every article must be plainly marked with name tape.

Blankets may be rented at camp at \$3.00 per pair per season.

It is possible to do personal laundry at camp or it may be sent out with the camp laundry.

Stamps, note paper, post cards and a limited amount of candy may be obtained at the camp Tuck Shop.

Campers are required to wear the regulation Tanamakoon outfit during the day. In the evening informal camp clothing may be worn but campers are requested not to bring more than those articles mentioned in the suggested list.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Tanamakoon is 200 miles north-east of Toronto, via C.N.R. Cars are reserved and adequate provision made for conducting parties to and from camp.

Parents wishing to visit camp may secure accommodation at Cache Lake. Information will be sent on request.

Direct telephone connection can be made with camp through Algonquin Park Headquarters.

Aeroplane service is provided by the Park Superintendent in case of emergency.

Telegraph and express address: Algonquin Park Station, Ont. Information regarding dates, terms, transportation, etc. will be sent on request.

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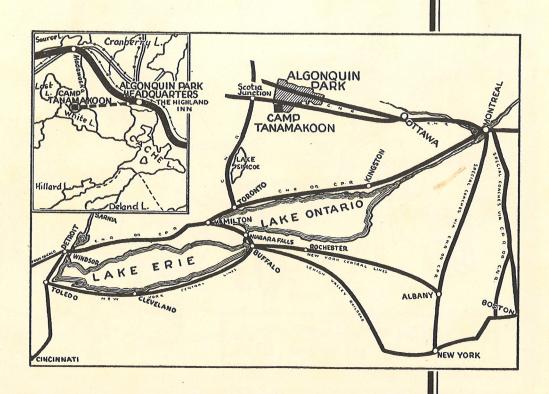
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On the inside of this cover is an interesting animated map of Camp Tanamakoon.



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